## **Attachment 5**

## **Wildlife Sensitive Species Risk Elements**

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Habitat or population loss or detrimental alteration has occurred or is occurring.

Threat codes: if a species at risk is or may be adversely affected on NFS lands by management activities, one or more codes are assigned to indicate the source of the potential effects.

Code	Risk elements
AQ	Aquatic-water quality, water quantity, riparian vegetation, structural features,
	hydrologic function.
CO	Collecting-includes scientific collecting, or gathering for sale as pets or lab uses
EX	Exotic Species-includes effects to habitat, competition and/or predation
FF	Fire suppression activities
FR	Fire-changes to fire regimes, fire exclusion, season of burning, fire intensity
GZ	Livestock grazing, includes forage use, structures (fences, cattle guards, etc), water development, herbicide use, depredation, bank trampling, vegetation composition changes
HA	Human activity that leads to disturbance or displacement of wildlife
MN	Mining-blasting, pit operations, tailing piles and ponds, toxic waste material,
	roads and transportation, adits, activity levels, etc.
OG	Oil and gas, includes exploration, development, and production, toxic waste
	material (including water), roads and transportation
OV	Off-highway vehicles
PL	Pipelines and transmit ion lines
RC	Recreation-including snow compaction, human disturbance, seasonal use
	patterns, motorized use, non-motorized use, ski areas, attractants (food and
	garbage), rock climbing, etc.
RD	Road construction
RM	Road maintenance
RU	Road management-human use levels and seasonal use patterns
SP	Special Uses-power lines, roads, transmitter sites, towers, summer homes, dams,
	etc.
SU	Succession of vegetation age and/or composition
TH	Timber harvest-includes vegetation change, human activity, roads and
	transportation, and site prep and reforestation.
XX	Herbicide and pesticide spray and drift